

Duckin' Around

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After nearly 30 years of competitive football, the 1954 Little Generals of Washington-Lee almost made history with another "first." Still a possibility, but very remotely so, the Blue and Grey were about to take to the air via transportation for their November 12th engagement with Hampton high in Hampton. To still make this flight a reality, interested persons must hand out \$20.00 for a round trip seat, of which 10 remain on the chartered plane. Unlikely to make a "go" of it this year, at least the ground has been broken for this "first" for the Generals, and unless we miss our guess, a first for high schools throughout this area.

MIKE NETZER, injured Washington-Lee backfield star, received more than a dislocated left shoulder, later examinations disclosed. According to word from head football coach BOB WALDORF, Mike's X-rays showed a broken collarbone. Of course Netzer will be out for the season, with regrets from his team members, coaches and yours truly, who know the caliber of play by this youngster, and also know he will be missed on the field of battle.

PETE ROCKWELL, athletic director at Washington-Lee, is making quite a name for himself in his officiating duties with the Southern Conference Association, with four big college games requesting his presence. He will be in Morgantown, West Virginia this Saturday, when the Mountaineers entertain Fordham, and again on November 20 when they play host to North Carolina State. In between these two dates, Pete will officiate in Blacksburg, Virginia, where the Gobblers play host to Waynesboro. Finally, on Thanksgiving Day, at Roanoke, Virginia, the likeable athletic director will make Virginia Military Institute and Virginia Polytechnic Institute abide by the rules in their annual "Classic of the South," which began in 1894 and has missed but in 11 years as a continuous battle. This should mark the 50th year of competition with V.P.I. holding an edge in wins and will probably be rated favorites again.

Over, in the Wakefield camp. Chartered busses will transport all followers of the Warriors in their bid for victory number six against but two losses, when they tackle Mount Vernon on the later field at 8:00 p.m. This will be the first night game in the schools history for their football team and head coach "TANK" JOHNSON hopes to make it two first's. Mount Vernon has lost to Washington-Lee in regular season play, and in facing Wakefield, will show son,

comparison in the two Arlington teams, the first such opportunity, and the Warrior mentor is in hopes of victory, which would be his first against a common foe between the Warriors and the Generals. Tickets for the game and round trip tickets on the busses can be purchased at the school store. The busses will leave Wakefield at 7:00 p.m.

With basketball season just around the corner, MORT IRWIN, coach of Wakefield's junior high cagers, was well pleased with a turnout of 126 boys, who signed up and are awaiting physicals and processing before practice begins in December. Of this group, all but 15 to 20 must be cut in a given ten day period.

ANNE MARTINDALE, assistant supervisor of Sports at the Arlington Recreation Department, has announced the next meeting of the Arlington County Tennis Association to be held November 4th at 7:30 p.m. in the home of Hyman Ritzenberg, 3837 9th St. South. Mr. Allie Ritzenberg, President of the Middle Atlantic Professionals Lawn Tennis Association, will be a guest speaker.

One final word concerning Junior high school football. Word came to the Sports desk here, that information published in last weeks results were incorrect, and admitting that the headline was somewhat misleading, it might be brought to mind that if responsible persons would relay information concerning these games to the Sports desk, or make some arrangement, agreeable to both the informant and reporter, facts would not become confused. What was mentioned in giving what little results available, was received through one person, he being connected with a losing team, not responsible for details. Although we appreciate hearing from anyone with an interest in junior high football, it would be very appropriate if those parties would also contact the person or persons responsible for NOT reporting his team's victory or defeat. It is with the utmost sincerity that this paper would enjoy publishing a full account of any local sporting event, but it cannot be done without the cooperation of those involved.